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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2001, Applicants hereby submit the following remarks and amendments in this request for reconsideration. The time for responding to the outstanding Action has been extended by the accompanying request for a three month extension of time and payment of fee. Please enter the following amendments:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 1, 24, 29, 32, and 34 with claims 1, 24, 29, 32, and 34 set forth below. A copy of these claims with the changes marked thereon is attached at the end of this Response.